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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Honorable Chair and Members of the County Council County of Maui Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Budget and Finance Committee, having met on January 30, 2001, makes reference to County Communication No. 00-314, from the Budget Director, transmitting the following:

1. A proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, STATE DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT PROGRAM".

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize the acceptance of a \$120,000 grant from the State of Hawaii, Department of Defense, State Domestic Equipment Program, to enhance first responder capabilities in Maui County.

2. A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2001 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend the grant revenues for the Fiscal Year 2001 Budget by appropriating \$120,000 from the State of Hawaii, Department of Defense, State Domestic Equipment Program.

Your Committee notes that County Communication No. 00-314 was referred to your Committee at the Council meeting of January 12, 2001 (County Communication No. 01-12).

By memorandum dated January 25, 2001, your Committee Chair transmitted a revised proposed bill, from the Budget Director, entitled "A BILL

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FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2001 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY". The revised bill changes the date from 2000 to 2001.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Budget Director, the Administrator of the Civil Defense Agency, and a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

The Civil Defense Administrator informed your Committee that this grant is Federal money from the United States Department of Justice to assist states in their defense against terrorism and weapons of mass destruction. The funds are given to the State Department of Defense for the Civil Defense Division. Maui County will receive \$120,000. A multi-disciplined planning committee representing the County Civil Defense Agency; Department of Fire Control, including the Hazardous Materials Division (HAZMAT); Department of Police; the State Department of Health; and Emergency Medical Services performed a three-year assessment focusing on the first responder capabilities in Maui County. HAZMAT is the first responder. This grant will address equipment needs in the area of HAZMAT for decontamination, identification, and detection. The equipment will be used to identify chemical, biological, explosive, incineration, and nuclear materials.

The Administrator stated that the uniqueness of Maui as a three-island County makes it difficult when logistics are considered. It is his policy to continue to inform the Federal and State agencies about this challenge for consideration in their review of grants and distribution of funds. In addition, he noted that the Department of Fire Control personnel on Molokai and Lanai receive HAZMAT training.

Your Committee voted to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution and the passage of the revised proposed bill on first reading.

Your Budget and Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1.	That Resolution No.	_, atta	ched	hereto,	entitled
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	STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTME	NT OI	F DE	FENSE,	STATE
	DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT PROGRAM	M" be A	DOPT	ED:	

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2. That Bill No (2001), as revised hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDIN APPENDIX A OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2001 COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THAGENCY" PASS FIRST READING and BE OF and	ANCE AMEN BUDGET FOR HE CIVIL DEFE	DING THE ENSE
3. That County Communication No. 00-314 be FIL	ED.	
Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.		

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